ATHEROGENICS INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PAPPAS ARTHUR M Issuer Symbol ATHEROGENICS INC [AGIX] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 8995 WESTSIDE PARKWAY 05/24/2006 below)

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

> > (Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

ALPHARETTA, 2Q 30004

(City)

(State)

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)				Securities	Ownership	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership	
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)	
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)		
					(A)		Transaction(s)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	05/24/2006		P	1,000	A	\$ 12.969	15,000	D		

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5.	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/) e		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Amoun or Numbe of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PAPPAS ARTHUR M 8995 WESTSIDE PARKWAY X ALPHARETTA, 2Q 30004

Signatures

/s/CHARLES A. DEIGNAN, ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

05/25/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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